

REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION OF
CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY'S PROPOSED 69KV
TRANSMISSION LINE IN YORK COUNTY

MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
DOCKET NO. 2002-650
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On October 31, 2002, the Commission received a complaint from Laurie A. Downs and nine other CMP customers and residents of the Town of York. The complainants ask the Commission to open an investigation of CMP's proposed 69 KV transmission line to be built from the Bolt Hill substation in Elliot to the York harbor substation in York.

The Commission has decided to open the investigation. The Commission will investigate the concerns raised by the complainants, including the need for the line, aesthetic, reliability and safety concerns related to the line and alternatives to a 69 KV transmission line.

To present your views on the Commission's investigation, you may participate in one of two ways:

1. You may petition to intervene. If your petition to intervene is granted, you will be a party with the right to participate formally in the hearings and in negotiations. Your petition must be made in writing and must state the name and docket number of this proceeding, and the manner in which you are affected by the proceeding. Your petition must also include a short and plain statement of the nature of the evidence or argument you intend to submit. Your petition must be received by the Administrative Director, Public Utilities Commission, 242 State Street, Augusta, Maine 04333, no later than **February 11, 2003**. You must send a copy of your petition to Regulatory Affairs, CMP, 83 Edison Drive, Augusta, Maine 04336. If your petition is denied, you may still request that your name be placed on the Commission's mailing list for this case as described below. Persons who file petitions to intervene should attend the initial case conference at the Commission on **February 12, 2003 at 2:00 p.m.**, unless they make other arrangements with the Hearing Examiner.

2. You may request that your name be added to the mailing list as an interested person. If your name is added to the mailing list as an interested person, you will receive notice of the time and place of any hearings.

You may also request that the Commission hold a public witness hearing in the York County area. At a public witness hearing, any individual may speak to the Commission about CMP's proposed transmission line. Public witness hearings are recorded and made part of the record in the investigation.

THE COMMISSION WILL NOT PUBLISH ANY FURTHER NEWSPAPER NOTICES OF THIS PROCEEDING OR ANY HEARINGS.

If you need more information about which method of participation you should choose, write to the Administrative director at the above address or call 287-3831.

Title 35-A of the Maine Revised Statutes and the Commission Rules will govern this proceeding.